PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners May 26, 2011 1101 Oberlin Road Raleigh, NC 27605

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Jose R. Rodriguez, CPA, President; Wm. Hunter Cook, CPA, Vice President; Maria M. Lynch, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer; Bucky Glover, CPA; Jordan C. Harris, Jr.; and Michael C. Jordan, CPA.

STAFF ATTENDING: Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; J. Michael Barham, CPA, Deputy Director; Frank X. Trainor, III, Staff Attorney; Lisa R. Hearne, Manager-Communications; Ann J. Hinkle, Manager-Professional Standards; Buck Winslow, Manager-Licensing; and Noel L. Allen, Legal Counsel.

GUESTS: James T. Ahler, CEO, NCACPA; Sharon Bryson, COO, NCACPA; Nicole Hendren, CPA, NCACPA; and Curt Lee, Legislative Liaison, NCSA.

CALL TO ORDER: President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

MINUTES: The minutes of the April 26, 2011, meeting were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS: The April 2011 financial statements were accepted as submitted.

Deputy Director Barham presented the proposed 2011-2012 budget (Appendix I) to the Board. Messrs. Glover and Cook moved to approve the 2011-2012 budget as proposed. Motion passed.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: Messrs. Cook, Glover, and Brooks commented on the AICPA Spring Council Meeting held May 22-24, 2011, in Washington, DC.

Messrs. Jordan and Rodriguez moved to approve the response to the AICPA Exposure Draft Omnibus Proposal, *Interpretations and Definitions*. Motion passed.

STATE AND LOCAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: Messrs. Glover, Brooks, and Ahler commented on the NCACPA Annual Business Meeting and Recognition Dinner held May 4, 2011, in Greensboro.

Messrs. Cook, Glover, and Brooks commented on the session presented by Messrs. Baldwin, Cook, and Glover at the NCACPA Leadership Summit held May 5, 2011, in Greensboro.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE: Mr. Cook moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

<u>Case No. C2010092 - Stephanie H. Wilcox</u> - Approve the Notice of Hearing for September 19, 2011, at 10:00 am.

Case No. C2009216 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Warning.

Case No. C2009257 - Close the case without prejudice.

<u>Case No. C2011144</u> - Michael T. Avara - Accept the signed Notice of Apparent Violation and Demand to Cease and Desist (Appendix II).

<u>Case No. C2010219 - Amy S. Gardner</u> - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix III).

The Committee asked the Executive Staff to review the non-self-study CPE requirement and the two-hour group study/four-hour self-study ethics CPE requirement.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE: Ms. Lynch moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Transfer of Grades Applications - The following were approved:

William Stephenson Holman

Davin Matthew Swanson

Original Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Stacey Cuthrell Aubee Steven Douglas Bondor Linda L. Bridges

Michael Stephen Brooks Renee Amos Bumgarner

Nichole Renee Burnap

Sarah Ann Cahuantzi Jennifer Ann Estrada

Crystal Thompson Hanley

Joy Denise Hargraves

Deirdre Marie Hart

Ashley Marie Herford Amy Stafford Hilfiker

William Stephenson Holman

Stefanie Leann Holmes Brenda Michelle Jarman

Megan Cie Jones

Jiajia Liu

Daniel Vincent Lovrich

Andrew B. Lull

Suzanne Elizabeth MacVicar Angelina Maria McArthur

Kelley Sean McGuire
Audrea Russo Norris
Daniel Benjamin Oates
Raymond J. Paulin III
Carl Raymond Pawsat
Courtland Leslie Perry IV

Jeffrey Gray Pike Robbin Denise Ramseur Carrie Alexis Reighard Samantha Rae Reynolds Anna Caroline Cook Shields William Shepherd Storrs

Mija Joo Sutthoff Davin Matthew Swanson Bryan David Teach Ryan Douglas Thompson Wang Xu Xu Zhou

Staff reviewed and recommended approval of the original application submitted by the individuals listed below. These individuals failed to disclose pertinent information with their exam application but provided it with the certificate application. Staff recommended approval of the applications with a one-year probationary period. The Committee approved staff recommendation:

Kreig Ernst Brugler Ko Tang Cha-Moses ShengTso Wu Nhung Lily Do

Reciprocal Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Gregory Thad Bryant Laura Kathryn Byars Adrienne Judith Figur Sarah Elizabeth Kelley Adam Wayne Knepp Janine Konopko Joel Ira Levy Dwayne Thomas McKinley Elizabeth Nzuzi Nsimba Nancy Angeli Plath Kelly Mattarocci Sanchez Susan Schena

Temporary Permits - The following temporary permits were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

Michael Lawrence Cormier T6306
Jennifer Ard Hicks T6307
Sabrina Stephens Mosley T6308
James Robert Smith T6309
Brian David Donahue T6310
Tyrone Sellars T6311
Kathleen Ann Foley Snively T6312
Nicole Jean Kennen T6360
Steven Merrel Martin T6361
Zachary J. DenBesten T6362

Courtney Marie Bateman T6363 Emily Caroline Cashwell T6364 Kevin David Wharton T6365 Marian Sherrill Steele T6366 David Samuel Goldberg T6367 Christopher Patrick Nicholson T6368 John Paul Barbee T6369 Erika D. Lipkin T6370 Andrew Sample Adams T6371

Reinstatements - The following were approved:

Curtis John Cortes #32008 Eran Bloxam Gordon #23729

Sandra Steele Morton #27153

Reissuance of New Certificate - An application for reissuance of new certificate submitted by Alfred Leslie Liner (#11298) was approved.

Reissuance of New Certificate and Consent Agreement - An application for reissuance of new certificate and consent agreement submitted by Stephen Tomlinson Smith (#24838) was approved.

Firm Registrations - The following professional corporations and professional limited liability companies were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

Eddie Carrick, CPA, PC Eric M. Redner, CPA, PLLC Lisa Volpe Williams, CPA, PLLC

Retired Status Applications - The Committee approved the following requests for retired status because the individuals are completely retired and do not receive any earned compensation for current personal services in any job whatsoever:

Gerald Balonis #29448 Herbert Dean Cobble #2461 Brigitte B. Gann #23176 Bryson D. Kiser #11004 Thomas Christopher Logan #19154 Bonnie Guthrie Owen #19343 Paul D. Phillips #17826 Linwood R. Watson #26562

Extension Requests - The Committee disapproved the following individuals for extension for completion of CPE:

Jennifer L. Acton #33825

Angela Parsons Sedberry #35146

Letters of Warning - Staff reviewed and recommended approval of the request to rescind the letter of warning awarded to Wendy King (#25505). The Committee approved staff recommendation.

Firm Renewal and Peer Review Matters - The firms listed below submitted a renewal more than 60 days but less than 120 after the deadline. Staff recommended referral to the Professional Standards Committee. The Committee approved staff recommendation:

Sheila Marsh Edmonds CPA #28100

Wesley Shelton, PLLC Steve Wesley Shelton #34836

Examinations - The Committee reviewed and approved the following staff approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Rebecca Kirkley Conner

John Ackerson

Stephen Adams Alice Alexander Danielle Alexander **Jacob Allen** Connie Allsbrook David Almonte Carol Alverson Nicholas Amicucci Benjamin Andrews Chad Antley Jonathan Antonio Christopher Arena Michael Arthur Brent Ashburn James Askew Brandon Ausley Jason Baillargeon Maureen Bair Elizabeth Baker Nicole Balduf Adam Barbrey **Emily Barringer** Paul Benedict Tyrrell Best Myra Blanchette Paul Blaylock Amy Boone Devin Borders Anne Bosman Justin Boyd Jason Brett Michele Brewer Adam Briones John Broadfoot Stephanie Brooks Nathan Brown Jay Bruce Brandon Bryan Bronwen Bryant Rebekah Buck **Brittany Bumphus** Samantha Burke Sarah Burney

Thomas Burns, Jr Faith Bynum Kimberly Byrd Benjamin Campsey Marcus Canady Megan Cappy Alan Cardoso Benjamin Carlson Katrina Carrington Nathan Carter Margaret Carter Craig Carter Sean Casperson Debra Chamra Steven Chapman Andy Chen Abraham Chen Rosario Chinchay John Chirokas An Thu Chu Wing-Wah Chu Derek Church Karrah Clay Jeffrey Clayton, Jr Nadia Clevenger Kaitlyn Coen Zannoth Coffee Allison Cole Clark Colosimo **Jack Coman** Nicola Cook Bryan Cooke Scott Coppola **Bradley Cottle** Brandon Crawford Bryce Creedon Cameron Cross **Justin Culbertson** Reuben Dalton Erin Daughtridge Lauren Daughtry Cedric Davis Michelle Decosta

Tanya DeGrace Charles DelPapa Rupal Desai Christopher Dietz Victoria Dimitrious **Robert Dobbins** Sara Domby Anna Dunbar Kathleen Durham Catherine Eastwood Nicole Emanuel Holly Embt **Brittany Emery** Ashley Encarnacao H'Rin Enger **Gregory Ennis** Lashondra Ervin Leah Farris Camron Faulkner Claude Felmet David Fento, Ir Erica Fianchino Andrew Finley Shannon Ford Thomas Forrester Kimberly Fox Amanda Fugate Patrick Furlong Sean Gallina Charlene Gallishaw Christina Galyan Brittany Garka Latonya Garrison **Edward Gerber** Caroline Gibson Alexa Gilbert Cara Gilmore Karen Gilsdorf Chiemi Glazener Eric Glenn Kathryn Godbold Jessie Goodrum

Eugenia Gordon

Kristy Grady **Kevin Greats** Rachel Greene Alexander Greer Amy Griffin Rachel Groce Susan Hagan Janelle Hall Quincy Halliday, IV Steven Hammell Joseph Hampl Gihan Hanna Noor Hannaney Lisa Hardee James Hardy, Jr Yashekia Harper Brian Harrison Ricky Harrison Siwei Hartill Gregory Hassell Bryan Hatcher Kimberly Hawkins Andrew Hawley Julianne Heal Mara Henderson Michael Hickey II Travis High David Highfill Meagan Hobbs Andrew Hoffman Sandra Holley Brooke Holliday Matthew Hollifield Farah Hollingsworth Shelley Holtsclaw Jennifer Horne Ashley Howard Jon Hudson Harrison Hunt Abner Hunter, III Lawrence Hussey Kate Hwang Patricia Hyldburg

Jennifer Jackson Alyssa Jaklitsch Kimoi James Brittni Jenkins Ronnie Johnson Matthew Johnson Amy Johnson John Johnston Sara Jolly James Jones Amanda Jones Robyn Jones Virginia Jones Natasha Jordan Patricia Jordan Kathleen Keating Cindy Keen Amanda Kendall Eunah Kim-Therrell Blair Kines Perry King Ashley Koewing Amy Kolster Olga Kourdova Daniel Kramer Pamela Lane Sarah Larson Joseph Laskey James Lawson Adam Lazovik Timothy Lee Ben Lehman Holly Lemons Mary Leonard Anthony Leonette Xueying Li Darren Lindsay Andrew Linville Catherine Lipka Amber Maddox Judy Mak Stephen Malarz

Steven Mallard

Judy Marett John Masters Ryder Mathias Zachary Matthews Erin Mayberry **Brant Mayer** Katie Mazzeo Marcus McAllister Arthur McCall Kerry McClellan Lisa McClinton Michael McCord Inge McCrory Iames McKinnon Kathleen McMillan Brynn McMullan Steven Meisterburg Ashley Middleton **Justin Miller** Steven Miller Terrymore Miller Jennifer Milton Priyanka Modi Hona Moore Christopher Moore Alexander Moore Casey Morris Adam Morris Megan Morrissey Matthew Mullen Andrew Mulvihill Ryan Musumeci Neil Naik Robin Narron Ryan Nicollerat Phillip Norriss Ashley Novak Lakeisha Odom Adrienne Ogburn Carroll Oglesby Luke O'Rourke William Ostertag Candice Otey

Erin Outlaw Andrea Pack George Pappas Jessica Paradis Robert Parker Tara Parks John Passyn

izabela Paszek-Crayton

Komal Patel
Chintan Patel
Charise Peebles
Hypolite Pene
Jamie Pennell
William Perrault
Stephanie Pflum
Charles Phelps
Matthew Pierce
Anthony Pinzari
Elena Pisarik
Robert Pitino

Megan Poindexter

John Pollard
Theresa Poole
Elise Porter
Charles Powell
Sarah Powers
Beverly Pressley
Devon Privette
Ellen Quinby
Stephanie Ranck
Stacee Rash

Charles Rasmussen Laurence Ratnofsky

Jake Rau

Phillip Ray, III

William Raymond, Jr Andrew Reagan

Katherine Rebmann

Joseph Reid

Gwendolyn Reilly

Stacie Rhodes

Jennilee Richardson

Mariberh Roach

Christina Roane William Robertson

Amy Rogers Stephanie Rogers Ryan Rogers Michelle Rollins

Isolette Rowe

Jorge Saldivar Aguilera

Lauren Sargent
James Scalise
Jonathan Scarpola
Stephen Schlachter
David Schuler
Ariana Schuster

Andrew Schwartz Michael Sciolto William Scotten

Brett Senchyshyn-Maciukiewicz

Anthony Serricchio

Jinal Shah

Stephen Sheller, Jr

Mindy Shires
Justin Sigmon
Sarah Simpson
Marion Sims
Chelsea Smith
Richard Smith
Morgan Smith
Cameron Smith

Lindsay Smith Alicia Smith Reita Smolka Stephanie Snyder

Matthew Spain
Kc Spangle
Keturah Spann
Elizabeth Sparks
Barrett Spearman
Christopher Spivey
Amanda Spivey

Heath Stafford Shermeca Stanton Bradley Starbuck

Roberto Sterling Clark Stevens Joel Stocks David Stone Ashley Stout **Greg Stribos** Megan Sudnik Thomas Sutherland Michael Swerbinsky Amy Szalaj Amanda Tamayo **Bailey Tapert** Janie Tart Nathan Tate Allison Taube John Taylor Luis Terron Genessa Tetterton **Brittany Thacker** Lee Thaxton Hollie Thompson Laura Tosti Clinton Townsend Stevenson Tranquille Caleb Truitt Ashley Turnmire

Anna Tuttle

Graham Van Roekel

Herman Vaniford

Ioshua VanNamee

Nicki Vaughn Cristen Vaughn

Ross Visscher

Elizabeth Vockel Ashley Wagner Benjamin Walker Zao Wang JingJing Wang Huan Wang Jun Wang Elizabeth Ward Heather Ward Christopher Watts Mark Weadon Leigh Weatherly Christopher Wente Casey Wentz Zachary Weston Benjamin Wetzel Madia White Charlie White Shauna Whitener Randall Williams Clarence Williams, III Joshua Wilson Crystal Wofford Sophia Woo Jacob Woodfin Li Xu Anan Xu Quinn Yao Lorena Yezer Zornitsa Yordanov Margaret Young Zheng Zhuang William Zweier

Staff recommended that the committee determine and accept the grades received for the January – February 2011 exams. Twenty-five files with grade reports were haphazardly selected and reviewed by Board members. The Committee determined and accepted the grades.

PUBLIC HEARING: President Rodriguez called the Public Hearing to order to hear Case No. C2010056 – John C. Compton, CPA. Mr. Compton was present at the hearing and was not represented by legal counsel. Mr. Compton, Robert N. Brooks, and Robert B. Long, Jr., Esq., were sworn and presented testimony. Messrs. Jordan and

Glover moved to enter Closed Session without the Executive Director, Deputy Director, or Legal Counsel present, but with Staff Attorney Frank Trainor present. The Board reentered the Public Hearing and Messrs. Glover and Cook moved to approve a Board Order (Appendix IV) dismissing the case. Motion passed with six (6) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes. The entire Public Hearing is a matter of public record.

ADJOURNMENT: Messrs. Harris and Jordan moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:

Robert N. Brooks Executive Director Jose R Rodriguez,

President

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CPA EXAMINERS

2011-2012 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET

	2010-11 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	2010-11 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2011-12 APPROVED BUDGET	REF.
REVENUES	2,672,502	2,695,349	2,845,688	Α
EXPENSES				*
PERSONNEL	1,053,035	1,051,944	1,149,809	В
BOARD & LEGAL	218,610	128,990	150,441	С
OFFICE	308,350	298,736	301,825	D
EXAMINATION	1,150,000	1,130,108	1,154,000	E
SCHOLARSHIP	10,000	13,000	10,000	
BUILDING	32,000	26,242	31,350	F
TOTAL	2,771,995	2,649,020	2,797,425	
ESTIMATED CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	-99,493	46,329	48,263	

2011-2012 APPROVED CAPITAL BUDGET

2	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	FISCAL YEAR	ESTIMATED	APPROVED
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
) DWARE	12,000	2,034	11,300
SOFTWARE	30,000	22,166	
TOTAL	42,000	24,200	11,300
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	2,813,995	2,673,220	2,808,725

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	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	FISCAL YEAR	ESTIMATED	APPROVED
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
EXAMINATION FEES INITIAL ADMIN FEES RE-EXAM ADMIN FEES EXAM FEES REVENUE EXAM COUPON	232,990	222,180	222,180
	153,750	167,025	167,025
	1,210,000	1,221,885	1,221,000
	(48,438)	(21,907)	(46,667)
	1,548,302	1,589,183	1,563,538
EXAM REVIEW FEES EQUIVALENCY EXAM FEES GRADE TRANSFER FEES	1,000 0 	1,150 0 0 1,150	1,000 0 150 1,150
CERTIFICATE FEES INITIAL RECIPROCAL RENEWALS REINSTATEMENTS	56,000 (560/100)	55,400	56,000 (560/100)
	21,600 (216/100)	23,000	23,000 (230/100)
	920,000 (18400/50)	898,800 (18000/60)	1,080,000 (18000/60)
	16,000 (160/100)	12,600	16,000 (160/100)
	1,013,600	989,800	1,175,000
FIRM REGISTRATIONS PARTNERSHIP INITIAL PARTNERSHIP RENEWAL PC INITIAL PC RENEWAL	0	70	0
	32,000	35,010	35,000
	5,700	4,850	5,000
	35,750	33,930	34,000
	73,450	73,860	74,000
RENTAL INCOME	0	0	0
INTEREST GIFT CARDS OTHER	36,000 0 0 36,000	34,178 5,700 1,478 41,356	32,000 0 0 32,000
	2,672,502	2,695,349	2,845,688

2011-2012 APPROVED PERSONNEL EXPENSE

	2010-11 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	2010-11 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2011-12 APPROVED BUDGET
FULL TIME STAFF	749,939	760,216	829,630
PART TIME STAFF	34,320	32,713	12,960
TAXES - FICA	59,996	58,739	64,458
RETIREMENT - CONTRIBUTIONS	44,996	45,725	49,778
RETIREMENT - NCLB ADMIN FEE	3,500	2,561	3,500
INSURANCE - HEALTH	127,115	117,164	141,693
STAFF CPE	2,250	1,642	2,750
STAFF TRAVEL	29,669	30,230	42,040
MISCELLANEOUS	1,250	2,954	3,000
	1,053,035	1,051,944	1,149,809

2011-2012 APPROVED STAFF TRAVEL EXPENSE

ľ' .	MTGS.	STAFF	<u>DAYS</u>	<u>RATE</u>	
NASBA MEETINGS ANNUAL REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS/CPE	1 1 1	3 3 9	4 4 4	300/750/246/50 695/219/50 350/675/250/50	6,702 5,313 20,025
OTHER MEETINGS PROFESSIONAL BOARD VEHICLE	8	.6	18		5,000 5,000 42,040
₽	TOTAL MEET	NG EXPENS	SE - B		42,040

<i>1.</i> ;	2010-11 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	2010-11 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2011-12 APPROVED BUDGET	REF.
BOARD TRAVEL	43,860	38,725	43,091	C1
PER DIEM	19,500	9,900	19,600	
CLERICAL REIMBURSEMENT	1,750 65,110	48,625	1,750 64,441	
LEGAL COUNSEL FEES - ADMIN	18,000	17,850	18,000	
LEGAL COUNSEL FEES-PROF. STAND	120,000	80,565	60,000	
LEGAL COUNSEL FEES-LITIGATION	5,000	7,260	5,000	
INVESTIGATION COST	8,000	10,210	8,000	
HEARING COST	10,000	4,291	10,000	
REIMBURSEMENTS	(7,500) 153,500	(39,811) 80,365	(15,000) 86,000	
	218,610	128,990	150,441	

	NO.	BOARD			
	MTGS.	MEMBERS	DAYS	RATE	AMOUNT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING		MEMBERO	DATO	IVAIL	AMOUNT
- HOTEL	12	5	1	125	7,500
MEALS	12	5	1	40	2,400
TRAVEL	12	7		10	4,545
		,			14,445
NASBA ANNUAL MEETING					,
HOTEL		7	4	246	6,888
MEALS		7	4	50	1,400
TRAVEL		7		300	2,100
REGISTRATION		7		750	5,250
		7.			15,638
NASBA REGIONAL MEETING	}				
HOTEL		4	3	219	2,628
MEALS		4	3	50	600
TRAVEL		4		300	1,200
REGISTRATION		4		695	2,780
					7,208
AICPA COUNCIL MEETINGS					
HOTEL	2	2	3	300	3,600
MEALS	2	2	3	50	600
TRAVEL	2	2		400	1,600
					5,800
					43,091

2011-2012 APPROVED PER DIEM EXPENSE

	PER <u>DIEM</u>	BOARD MEMBERS	DAYS	AMOUNT
REGULAR MEETINGS (12)	100	5	2	12,000
PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS	100			2,500
NASBA ANNUAL MEETING REGIONAL	100 100	7 4	5 4	3,500 1,600
TOTAL MEE	TINGS - C		υ	19,600

	2010-11 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	2010-11 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2011-12 APPROVED BUDGET
OFFICE DECORATIONS	100	63	100
EQUIPMENT RENT	600	754	800
PRINTING	42,000	43,774	45,000
POSTAGE	110,000	88,827	95,000
SUPPLIES	12,000	18,085	12,000
TELEPHONE	7,000	6,472	7,000
INTERNET & WEBSITE	16,800	17,868	18,000
SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,500	1,498	2,000
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	5,000	3,507	4,000
CLIPPING SERVICE	5,400	3,870	4,000
COMPUTER SOFTWARE MAINTENANC	36,800	44,825	42,000
COMPUTER SOFTWARE	1,000	0	0
DUES	7,500	7,875	8,000
INGURANCE	9,000	7,935	9,000
MISCELLANEOUS	1,000	0	1,000
AUDIT FEES	6,850	6,850	7,125
CREDIT CARD FEES	40,000	41,801	42,000
BANKING FEES	3,000	2,964	3,000
PAYROLL SERVICE	1,800	1,768	1,800
į	308,350	298,736	301,825

2011-2012 APPROVED EXAMINATION EXPENSE

	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	FISCAL YEAR	ESTIMATED	APPROVED
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
EXAM SITTING & GRADING EXAM POSTAGE	1,145,000	1,126,208	1,150,000
	5,000	3,900	4,000
\cup	1,150,000	1,130,108	1,154,000

	2010-11 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	2010-11 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2011-12 APPROVED BUDGET
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,000	732	1,000
ELECTRICITY	13,000	11,528	12,000
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	1,200	1,389	1,450
HEAT & AIR MAINTENANCE	2,200	2,196	2,300
IMPROVEMENTS	2,000	165 ॢ	2,000
INSURANCE	3,200	3,294	3,500
JANITORIAL MAINTENANCE	6,000	5,733	6,000
TRASH COLLECTION	800	-1,470	0
WATER & SEWER	1,000	951	1,100
SECURITY	1,400	1,724	1,800
PEST CONTROL	200	0	200
·	32,000	26,242	31,350

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF: Michael T. Avara, Case #C2011144 Respondent

NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION
AND DEMAND TO CEASE AND DESIST

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners (Board) is authorized by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12 (16) to enforce the provisions of the North Carolina Certified Public Accountant Act (Act) through actions for injunctive relief regarding "a single violation" of this Chapter; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-1, "A 'certified public accountant' is a person who holds a certificate as a certified public accountant issued under the provisions of this Chapter."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3, "It shall be unlawful for any person who has not received a certificate of qualification or not been granted a practice privilege under GS 93-10 admitting the person to practice as a certified public accountant to assume or use such a title, or to use any words, letters, abbreviations, symbols or other means of identification to indicate that the person using same has been admitted to practice as a certified public accountant."

WHEREAS, Respondent Michael T. Avara (hereinafter "Respondent Avara") is not now nor has he ever been licensed by the Board as a certified public accountant, and,

WHEREAS, Respondent Avara previously informed the Board that he would not refer to himself as a CPA until such time as he was licensed by this Board. However, Respondent Avara has recently allowed Horizon Lines, Inc., to identify him as a "CPA" on its website and in a press release when, in fact, he is not lawfully authorized to use the title "certified public accountant" or "CPA" in this State. Such a representation is misleading and contrary to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 93-1 and 93-3.

THEREFORE, Respondent Avara is hereby notified and the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners demands that he immediately cease and desist from use of the title "CPA" or "Certified Public Accountant" and identify himself only as "accountant."

North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners

BY:

DATE: 4-19-11

PARAMINERS.

In lieu of civil proceedings authorized by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(16), the Board will accept Respondent's consent to this Demand.

(Consented to:
E	BY: Michael T. Avara DATE: 412911
- -	Meckenburg County
S	worn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this day by Michael T. Quana.
[]	have personal knowledge of the identity of the principal(s)] [I have seen satisfactory evidence of the
	rincipal's identity, by a current state or federal identification with the principal's photograph in the form
of	fa drivers license [a credible witness has sworn to the
	lentity of the principal(s)
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NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: C2010219

IN THE MATTER OF: Amy S. Gardner, #24740 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners (Board) at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute (N.C. Gen. Stat.) § 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate the following Findings:

- 1. Amy S. Gardner (hereinafter "Respondent") is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 24740 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. Respondent resigned from a North Carolina CPA firm (hereinafter "Firm") in 2003.
- 3. Firm accused Respondent of removing confidential client information including a tax client list containing the email addresses of the Firm's tax clients at, or near, the time she resigned from the Firm.
- 4. Subsequently, Respondent and Firm engaged in litigation relating primarily to the disclosure of confidential client information.
- 5. A jury rendered a verdict in favor of the Firm against the Respondent on August 24, 2007 (the "Judgment").
- 6. Per the terms of the Judgment, the jury found, among other things, that Respondent had taken confidential client information with her before and after she resigned from the Firm.
- 7. Based upon the Judgment and a review of the record, the Board finds that Respondent disclosed confidential information obtained in the course of RECEIVED employment or a professional engagement without consent.

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- 8. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board ex parte, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to

review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by a quorum of the Board.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
- 2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 93-12(9), 93-12(9)(e) and 21 NCAC 08N .0205.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings under N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 150B-38 et seq., and 21 NCAC Chapter 8C, the Board and Respondent agree to the following discipline:

1.	Respondent is censured.

2. Respondent shall remit, with the signed Consent Order, a one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) civil penalty.

CONSENTED TO THIS THEDAY OF	loy, 2011.
Respondent Respondent	
APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 26 DAY OF _	MAY , 2011.

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NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: C2010056

IN THE MATTER OF: John C. Compton, #3279 Respondent

BOARD ORDER

THIS CAUSE coming before the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners (the "Board") at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, at public hearing, with a quorum present, the Board finds, based on the evidence presented at the hearing on May 26, 2011, that:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The parties have been properly identified.
- 2. The Board has jurisdiction over the Respondent and this Matter.
- 3. Respondent received at least fifteen (15) days written Notice of Hearing of this Matter by personal service, certified mail, or other approved personal delivery.
- 4. Venue is proper and the Noticed Hearing was properly held at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 5. Respondent did not object to any Board Member's participation in the Hearing of this Matter.
- 6. Respondent was present at the Hearing and was not represented by counsel.
- 7. Respondent is the holder of a certificate as a Certified Public Accountant in North Carolina and is therefore subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
- 8. Respondent failed to pay, in a timely manner, individual federal taxes owed for the years 1994, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2008.

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9. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) filed tax liens against Respondent on January 22, 1996 (\$11,108), October 30, 2006 (\$58,137), May 7, 2007 (\$48,123), June 4, 2009 (\$46,165), and January 29, 2010 (\$20,296).

Based on the evidence presented and the testimony at the hearing, the Board orders in a vote of six (6) to zero (0) to dismiss this case.

This the <u>26th</u> day of <u>May 2011</u>.



NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

President